

AMERICAN ENGINEERS HOLD OUTDOOR SPORTS

(Correspondence Associated Press.)
AMERICAN ENGINEERS TRAINING CAMP IN ENGLAND, Aug. — A large delegation of the American railway engineers spent a day recently as guests of the British troops encamped at Aldershot, where the king and queen, with other members of the royal family, were present at the largest program of field sports that has ever been held on Salisbury plain.

The Americans brought with them a tug-of-war team which provided one of the features of the afternoon in a long-drawn contest with the championship team of the British engineers, the result being finally declared a draw.

The big fete was arranged by the British garrison at Aldershot as a celebration of the bringing in of its harvest. For months past men of all ranks and regiments in the garrison have been practicing, in addition to their military duties, the patriotism that seeks to defeat the enemy by providing the nations with home-grown food. Turf that had never before known the ploughshare was bountiful that men and officers who had never learned the first rudiments of farming toiled strenuously in their spare hours under the guidance of their more skillful comrades. The result exceeded all efforts. The Aldershot harvest was

was bountiful that men and officers simultaneously agreed that a great harvest festival was eminently the thing, and that nothing would satisfy them short of the attendance of the king and queen.

The king, who knows a thing or two about farming himself, accepted the invitation, and a committee on arrangements representing every unit in the district began work forthwith on a suitable program. The center of the day's festivities was a huge tent with tables laden with samples of the Aldershot harvest. There were fruits, vegetables, grain, shrubs and roots of various kinds. The royal party motored down from Windsor, arriving early in the afternoon and remaining for three hours.

The arena in front of the harvest tent was surrounded by a great circular "grandstand," composed of a double line of ancient and modern transport wagons which afforded seats for the soldiers and their friends. For sixpence, the gate money all going to local war charities, the American visitors found they could have their choice of a number of desirable positions, either in the driver's seats of big army lorries, or on benches alongside friendly delegations of British Tommies and non-commissioned officers.

It was like a many-ringed circus. While the field sports were in progress

on the ground, there was a continuous performance of high-diving, somersaulting, trapezing, and all varieties of aerobatics by a squadron of British airplane men up aloft. Relay races and tug-of-war were the most popular items on the program, but there were many unusual and very spectacular types of field sports, such as a mounted wrestling competition, in which both horses and men took part in an exciting struggle, the team from the royal engineers finally defeating the army service corps on points.

There was also a "Victoria Cross" race, illustrating the methods by which mounted men rescue comrades in the actual fighting of today. This was followed by mimic exhibitions of bayonet fighting, and a blindfold drill competition, in which blindfolded non-commissioned officers of various units vied with each other in putting their blindfolded detachments through the complex movements of open field drill.

Meanwhile the women of the garrison had a baby show, in which Mrs. Corporal Tootle's twin boys secured an easy victory. The first prize was handed to them by the queen.

Outside the circle of army wagons were the side-shows, including a comic bull fight which the king declared the best thing of its kind which he had ever seen.

ATHLETICS IN SOLDIERS CAMPS MAKE FOR PHYSICAL TRAINING

(By Associated Press.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Sept. 17.—Soldiers' camps in the Far West are buzzing with athletic activities. In every camp on the Pacific coast, as in most other places of assemblage for army men throughout the country, committees are being appointed and preparations made for the selection of material for baseball and football teams and contestants in every line of sport.

At the Presidio, San Francisco, a basketball tournament is already under way, the season opening with twenty teams made up of soldiers. Most of the games in this tournament are played at night.

Baseball also is a leading pastime, thirty-five teams having been formed to play among themselves or to challenge outsiders as the occasions present themselves. Preparations are being made for the opening of the football season, with

the possibility that a Presidio soldiers' eleven and a team from the University of California will be the chief contenders for honors.

The promotion of sport at the Presidio, as at other camps, is largely under direction of the Y. M. C. A. In each camp a physical director has complete charge of recreation. His principal work is to stimulate interest in the various branches of sport.

Saturday is usually the big day of each week at the various camps. Wrestling, boxing, golf, tennis, swimming and track contests are also popular among the soldiers.

National guardsmen have begun arriving at Camp Kearney, near San Diego, Cal., and the national army men at Camp Lewis, near Tacoma, Wash., and the organization of athletics is already under way.

"Somewhere" in California before

long Sam Crawford, the slugging outfielder of the Detroit Americans, is to begin spending "the afternoon of his life." Crawford is to retire at the end of this season, after fifteen years with the Detroit club. "Crawford day," celebrated recently in Detroit, informally marked the close of the famous player's career. It is understood he may engage in business in some California town if the opportunity presents itself.

Crawford is one of the most popular ball players who has ever stepped on the Detroit field. He has often been used as a pinch hitter this season and each time that he walked to the plate a demonstration followed.

Crawford's clean living and his long record of faithful service will be long remembered in Detroit. Ministers have referred to him from the pulpit as a model for ambitious youths.

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VETERAN AVIATOR DIES IN AN AERIAL ACCIDENT

(Correspondence Associated Press.)

PARIS, Aug. —Captain Roedel, one of the oldest in service and one of the most remarkable of men killed in a flying accident at Villacoublay, after risking death a thousand times over the enemy's lines.

Captain Roedel was the creator of the French system of regulating artillery fire from airplanes. Among his exploits was the destruction of half of the artillery of the Sixteenth

Germany Army Corps in the vicinity of Triancourt, September 8, 1914. This achievement provoked a general note by Marshal Joffre regarding the use of "airplanes of combat."

Two days after his success near Triancourt, Captain Roedel, flying at a height of 300 yards, discovered the position of a division of Bavarian infantry in the region of Vaux Marie, signalled it to the

artillery, then got back to camp with his machine riddled with bullets and shell fragments. When the French infantry advanced and occupied the position, they found 4,800 dead Bavarians on the field, all victims of the French 3-inch field guns.

Captain Roedel had won the cross of the legion of honor and the war cross with six palms for as many citations in the orders of the army.

MOTION PICTURES FOR OUR SOLDIER BOYS

(By Associated Press.)

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Sept. 18.—Motion pictures of relatives, sweethearts or close friends, taken against a background of scenes in their "own home town," would be shown to American soldiers in the trenches under a plan submitted to Newton D. Baker, secretary of war, by Thomas H. Ince, a motion picture producer, in a letter made public here today.

Mr. Ince's plan contemplates the making of motion pictures under government auspices in every city and town of importance. Parents, families or friends and sweethearts of soldiers in each center, according to the plan, would be notified to appear at a certain time and motion pictures—probably simply a panoramic view—would be taken of them, probably taking in also familiar buildings, streets or parks in each town. Thus the reel of each center would be to the soldiers from that place a touch of "home" and for most of them of vital interest, for they would see in motion, life-like, and in a familiar setting, a mother, sweetheart, children or others of the family. Reels could be shown at certain points at the front so Los Angeles soldiers could go to see the Los Angeles reel and New York soldiers the New York pictures.

Mr. Ince estimated about forty persons could be shown in a foot of film, which, finished ready for projection, would cost the government about 10 cents. If one person, dear to one certain soldier, could be

shown him, the cost of a million men would be but \$2,500 for the film.

Mr. Ince advocated the plan as practical and economical and offered to supervise the matter and at his own expense, to assemble, label and put in proper shape the many reels.

AIRMEN FALL 1,000 FEET INTO OCEAN

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Sept. 18.—After a sheer drop of a thousand feet with the hydroplane in which they were flying into the ocean off Long Beach, William L. Bonney, member of the aerial coast guard patrol unit No. 3 of Newark, N. J., and Austin Feuchtwanger, who resides in Riverdale Drive, New York, were yesterday afternoon rescued by the coast guard and volunteers from the bungalow colony at the west end of the boardwalk, both being injured, one of them, Mr. Feuchtwanger, severely.

The machine was being operated by Mr. Bonney, Mr. Feuchtwanger, who is a member of the New York Stock Exchange, being a passenger. It was about noon when the two left Newark. For a time they flew about the lower bay and then started along the Long Island south shore.

When about 1,500 feet from the

YOUNG HUNTER SLAIN BY ACCIDENTAL SHOT

Charles P. Vandenberg of Los Angeles was accidentally killed Monday near the Red Mountain fruit ranch, southwest of Fish Springs, says the Inyo Register.

The young man, who was 20 years old, threw a shotgun into a wagon. The gun was discharged and its load entered his chest.

Vandenberg was in the valley on a hunting trip with two companions. He is understood to have been the sole support of an aged mother.

Many prominent (hoose) fighters would shine in the engagements in the Champagne district.—Spokesman Review, Spokane.

BELGIAN RELIEF SHIPS DENY ACTING AS DECOYS FOR GERMANS

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Sept. 18.—In response to Great Britain's protest against the charge that Belgium relief ships acted as decoys to trap submarines the German foreign office has explained that the accusation was based upon the report of a submarine commander, who said the Baron Bacyens, a relief steamer, turned toward him when sighted.

The German statement, forwarded to the British embassy here from London, says that the Baron Bacyens flew flags and pennants indicating her connection with Belgian relief and that the submarine commander had to conclude that in making

use of the distinctive signs she was acting as a trap for submarines because "the steamer, on coming in sight, turned toward the submarine and when the submarine abstained from attack and went off, turned back again."

The British government stated that the vessel in question had been continuously in the service of relief and had been furnished with safe conducts for all her voyages. She displays by order all the distinctive markings in amplification of repeated assurances that relief vessels and markings will never be used for any purpose other than that for which they are intended.

LARRY SULLIVAN IS AT HARD LABOR

FORMER GOLDFIELD PROMOTER WORKS IN PORTLAND SHIPYARD.

The checkered career of Larry Sullivan of Portland, Goldfield and Los Angeles has taken a new turn and Larry, like the village blacksmith, the honest farmer, the well digger, has taken his place in the sordid ranks of horny-handed sons of toil. The soft hand that once slid the two-spot from a faro case now wraps its grimy fingers around beams in a Portland, Ore., shipyard.

The schooner that sailed across

the mahogany bar and the schooner that pokes its nose into the deep Pacific have different means to Larry now. When Sullivan was younger and friskier he developed a great love for the water front and not a few grizzled salts remember the day when Larry in his exuberance for the merchant marine of the world stowed them away aboard a windjammer bound for one of the seven seas.

But filling the depleted crews of a square rigger had its disadvantages and Larry finds himself at last in the structural end of the shipping world, where he is working hard and faithfully to learn the business. His employers are deeply gratified with the way he is taking hold as a letter was sent by President Joseph Supple of the Supple & Ballin shipyard to Gov. James Withycombe commending the judgment of the latter in remitting a certain portion

BLOODED STOCK FROM ENGLAND

GEORGE WINGFIELD BRINGS IN MORE IMPORTED SHEEP AND CATTLE FOR HIS FARMS.

Some of the finest imported stock ever brought to this project arrived Thursday from England. It is owned and was imported by George Wingfield, mention of it being made heretofore in these columns.

There were 19 yearling Shropshire ewes, and four rams. There was one 8-month-old Holstein bull and a yearling heifer of the same stock, which is counted among the best in Great Britain. Mr. Dawson, son of the Dawson having charge of all the fine stock for King Edward, made the selection and purchase for Mr. Wingfield, which insures this to be the best strains of stock obtainable.

It is only through the efforts of some one who fancies fine stock that such additions to Nevada could be obtained. Such stock will be of untold benefit to the stock interests of this project and the entire state in years to come.

The sheep are in fair condition considering the voyage and journey of 66 days through which they have just passed, and will be exhibited at the fair the coming week. The cattle show the effect of the long trip and probably will not be exhibited this year.—Churchill Eagle.

The chief difficulty with the Oklahoma Farmers' union is that it believes more in raising Cain than in raising crops.—Butte Miner.

of Larry's sentence for bootlegging in Clackamas county.

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